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OXFORD.

The Ladies' Aid held a successful food sale at the chapel, Friday afternoon.

The Democrats celebrated Friday evening with a procession, torch lights and drum corps.

The Camp Fire Girls held a meeting on Friday evening at the home of Margaret Stashide.

The Ladies' Aid met with Mrs. James Cook, Wednesday afternoon.

The Adventists are planning to build a primary class room for the Sunday school as an addition to their chapel.

Ohio Holden, Arthur Walker, Arthur Mayberry, Floyd Wardwell, Samuel Ellsworth, Clinton Bumpus, Elsworth Davis and Charles Hirst are hunting in Stoneham.

Mrs. W. H. French has returned from Falmouth, Maine. Her daughter, Mrs. William Dow, returned with her.

Millie Leard of Lewiston has been visiting relatives in this village.

Mrs. Grace Smith of Dixfield is at Albertville.

Mrs. Millie Lord is visiting friends in Lisbon.

Albert White has gone to Connecticut, where he intends to spend the winter.

Mrs. Florence Drackway is at James Holden's.

A. P. Smith is at home for a few days. Arthur Walker has moved into a rent on Republican avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Judkins went to Boston, Saturday.

GROVER HILL.

Quite a heavy fall of snow for the first storm of the season.

Maurice F. Tyler was one of the fortunate hunters, Monday, as he shot an eight point buck.

Miss Amy Wheeler has been the guest of her sister and brother at Bethel village since Nov. 8th.

Miss Rachel Mayberry was in Lewiston one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Andrews are keeping house at Birchmont.

Mr. Dexter Mills from West Bethel was here looking after the bridges one day last week.

Alfred J. Pease from West Bethel was on over night guest at N. A. Stearns', Sunday.

Karl Stearns is packing apples for Eli F. Stearns.

Mrs. and Mrs. Elmer P. Lyon from Auburn are guests at the Lyon homestead.

Are You Reading the Travels in Mexico by M. J. Brown?

BUCKFIELD.

E. C. Clark preached at the Baptist church, Sunday morning and evening, Nov. 12th.

Deer hunters were out early Monday morning looking for signs in the snow which fell Sunday evening.

Whiting's Market has been closed by the sheriff and A. F. Warren has been appointed keeper.

The line crew of the Oxford County Telephone Company worked all day Sunday changing over lines.

Rev. W. H. Lakin, the newly chosen pastor of the Baptist church, will begin his labors here, Sunday, Nov. 10.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Conant went to Portland, Monday, where they will attend the fruit show. Mr. Conant is to act as one of the judges.

Miss Rachel Emory spent the week end with her aunt, Mrs. G. C. Frost, of Dixfield.

Miss Mollie Cole is with friends in Paris and Mrs. Mary Cole and Mrs. Elizabeth Waldron are staying with Mrs. Clarence Atwood during her absence.

Clarence Atwood has gone to Auburn to work in one of the shoe shops for the winter. Mrs. Atwood will go later.

Rev. Eleanor Forbes and her mother will live with H. A. Blacknell of Hartford, this winter.

Vernon Willingwood will move his family from the Emery rent on Elm street to the Childs place on High street, about Dec. 1st.

I. W. Smith of Sanford has been here for a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Rollins.

Mrs. Josephine Drummond of Waterville has been the guest of her mother, Mrs. Eunice A. Prince.

WEST GREENWOOD.

Miss Hannah Lydon, who has been spending a few days with her sister, returned to her home in Portland, Saturday.

Jim Deegan finished work for Will Holt, Sunday. He has gone to work in Grafton in the woods.

Mrs. Nellie Kennagh and son, Tom, visited relatives at the Stearns Mill, Saturday.

Honny and Lester Swan were in town, recently.

John Lydon spent a few days in this vicinity last week.

Mrs. Charles Mastin spent a week at Mr. Jones', returning to Waterville, Saturday.

Mrs. C. K. Cross is having several rooms papered and painted. Erastus Wiggins of Sanford is doing the work.

Mr. Ben Brown and family were Sunday guests of relatives at West Bethel.

Mrs. Agnes Olson of Wilson's Mill was a guest of Mrs. Frank Kendall, Saturday.

Miss Rachel Mayberry and Mrs. Mae Godwin went to Lewiston, Friday, to accompany Dorothy Stearns home from the C. M. G. Hospital.

The first real snow storm of the season started in Sunday night and continued up to Tuesday noon, about twelve inches having fallen during that time.

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BETHEL and Vicinity

Dr. J. G. Gehring was in Portland one day last week.

Mrs. T. B. Burke and son, Albert, were in Gorham, Sunday.

Mr. F. H. Haselton of Portland was a business visitor in town, Friday.

Mrs. Chas. Brown of Rumford was a recent guest of the Misses Morse.

Mrs. Harry Inman was in Norway, Monday, and was the guest of her brother.

Mr. Ernest Ham of Norway was the week end guest of Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Durell.

Mr. Josiah Smith of Portland was the guest of relatives in town a few days last week.

Mr. F. E. Furrington was in Mechanic Falls, Sunday, to attend the meeting of the telegraphers.

Mrs. F. J. Tyler is at the Maine General Hospital where she underwent a slight surgical operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Plummer of No. Waterford were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Bartlett a few days last week.

Mr. Arthur Cole, Miss Stella Cole and Miss Eva Howard of Bridgton were Sunday guests of the Misses Morse.

Mr. John Nelson of Wilton, Me., was calling on friends in town one day last week enroute for a hunting trip at No. Newry.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Purington from Manchester-by-the-Sea are visiting Mr. Purington's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Purington.

Friday evening Mrs. Robert Bisbee came from her home in New Bedford, Mass., called here by the death of her father, Horace Andrews.

D. D. G. M. Mrs. Emma Howe of Rumford was entertained at the home of Mrs. O. M. Mason during her official visit to Purity Chapter, O. E. S.

Mrs. Carrie Arno has returned from Montville, where she has been visiting her daughters. She will spend the winter with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Jordan.

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Who wouldn't be glad to get a Victrola for Christmas!

The only instrument that brings you all
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MIDDLE INTERVALE ROAD.

Mr. Harold Powers is working for O. A. Buck.

Miss Grace Farwell is helping Mrs. O. A. Buck for awhile.

E. H. Smith is building his camp in O. R. Stanley's woods for his winter's chopping.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Howe spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Kimball.

B. W. Kimball and Carey Stevens went to Lewiston, Saturday, where both purchased a work horse.

BRIEF ITEMS.

A ton of soy beans will yield about 40 gallons of oil useful in various ways.

A hundred and twenty-four pairs of birds nest on the average farm in the Northeast.

Gentle flavor can be eliminated by heating milk to 145 degrees F. and blowing air through it.

There are 70 national bird reservations, of which 67 are in charge of the Department of Agriculture.

Care should be taken to handle alfalfa hay so as not to lose leaves, as these contain considerably more than 50 per cent of the feeding value of the hay.

After testing his 17 cows through a cow-testing association, a Nebraska farmer sold 7 and received more profit from the 10 remaining animals than he had received formerly from the whole herd.

The United States meat-inspection service certified to the wholesomeness of 11,220,868 pounds of meat from 61,886,204 animals during the last fiscal year. It condemned 318,045 animals and 738,361 parts of animals, equivalent to about 81,320,660 pounds of meat.

HICKORY NUTS A HUNDRED TIMES OLDER THAN THE WHEAT FOUND IN THE PYRAMIDS.

Among the fossils recently discovered by the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, are remarkably well preserved impressions or casts of leaves of several extinct varieties of ash, oak, beech, and hickory, which were found, along with three present-day species, in States bordering the Gulf of Mexico.

Although the leaves themselves have rotted and gone, here and there some were buried in soft clay by sediment in such a way as to leave perfectly preserved impressions. The nuts, on the other hand, neither decayed nor petrified, but fell into pools of stagnant water, which is one of the best preservatives in nature, and sooner or later were also buried under silt and clay. Owing to their hard coats, those which fell into places favorable to their preservation are today in excellent condition, though slightly flattened by the long soaking and the gentle pressure of the clay.

The deposit in which the leaves and nuts are found is not less than a million years old, or at least a hundred times as old as the pyramids of Egypt.

The report containing descriptions and reproductions of photographs of these fossils remains (Professional Paper 98-L) is purely technical and may be obtained from the Director, Geological Survey, Washington, D. C.

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She cannot make ye bliscit sweet,
Nor bread not yet one pound;
But all the bakers she's got beat
In throwing dough around.

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SUITS and OVERCOATS that are models of perfection. It pays to buy Good Clothes. That is the kind we sell. Quality on Top, Prices at the Bottom.

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One lot Women's Black Oxfords, sizes 1, 1-2, 2 and 2-1-2. The regular prices were \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50. Your choice now for 59c.

One lot Women's Tan Oxfords, sizes 1, 1-2, 2-1-2, 6-1-2 and 7. The regular price was \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50. Your choice now for 79c.

One lot Women's Tan Boots, nearly all sizes from 1 to 7. These were \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00, now \$1.50.

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NORWAY,

MAINE

The W. C. T. U. has been postponed until Nov. 28th.

Miss Ethel Randall is visiting friends in Portland for a short time.

The Crochet Club will meet with Miss Moe Cross next Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 21.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. Hiram Bean, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

Miss Agnes Merrill of Auburn is spending a few days as the guest of Mrs. John Burbank.

Mr. E. P. Lyon went to Oquossoc, Tuesday, for a few days' hunting, where he will be the guest of Mr. Frank King.

Mr. Everett Smith and family have returned from Hastings, Maine and are guests of Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Fred Taylor.

The annual installation of Bethel Lodge, No. 97, F. & A. M., will be held Thursday evening, Nov. 23. All Masons and their families are cordially invited.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Chandler went to Yarmouth, Saturday, to visit their daughter, Mrs. W. A. Bunting and family, and during their absence of ten days' will also visit at Fred P. Chandler's in Auburn and Walter Chandler's in Norway.

Among those from out of town who attended the funeral of Mrs. J. H. Little, Sunday, were: Mr. and Mrs. Albert D. Park, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Fletcher, Mrs. L. A. Shaw, Mrs. F. C. Tribble, Mrs. Theodore Thayer, Mrs. J. J. Merrill, Alton C. Maxim of So. Paris, Miss Agnes Merrill of Auburn, Miss

COTTAGE STUDIO NOTES

WATCH THIS COLUMN.

Norway, Nov. 1

Of course you want some portrait work for Christmas—Why not save money by having it done now. All photo-materials cost us more, making an advance in our prices necessary the first of December.

A new size we will make for only \$1.00 per dozen this month.

In making plans for Christmas, have you thought that your friends can buy anything that you can give them—except your photograph.

You do not have to trust a valued picture to an agent when you want a crayon or water color portrait.

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The Home Circle

Pleasant Reveries—A Column
Dedicated to Tired Mothers
as they join the Home
Circle at Evening Tide

THE CHILD ALONE.

Z. M. Walters.

A mother of three children, in order to be with her husband, a mining expert, was obliged to live for a year in a solitary western place.

"I shouldn't mind for myself," she said to a group of neighbors, as she was getting ready to go. "To keep a home for Frank would be occupation enough for me, and his company provides interest enough. But I hate to take the children there, for they will be quite without playmates."

"Oh, but that will be a good thing for them," said a wise grandmother. "Children, as well as grown people, do not really find themselves without some solitude."

"But," said the mother, "Jean depends on her playmates so much. If she is alone she is always saying, 'What can I do now, mother?' and declaring that she hasn't a thing to play with. I'm afraid she'll be quite lost without her little friends."

"She is the very one that needs to be without them," insisted the old lady. "You remember that it was a wise man that said: 'Until you are in good society when you are alone you are not fit for any society.' We cannot give that maxim to a child, but we can apply it in practice."

When a year later the mother returned to her former home she acknowledged, freely that her old friend was right. For a week the little girl had fretted for something to do, then, apparently realizing that she was thrown upon her own resources, she began to find things to do. The two boys were older, and were out together a great deal, leaving her alone. She played house and school with her dolls. She invented an imaginary companion, and took walks, and held long conversations with her. The child who has never made up an imaginary friend to exactly suit her needs, has missed a great delight of childhood. Little Jean had such a friend. She called her Annabel, and she was everything that Jean considered desirable. Annabel had golden curls, and a low, sweet voice, and was never cross, or naughty. She walks and talks Jean had with her gave the child a chance to think, to express herself, and to develop her imagination.

Where Jean had been an indifferent reader, only skimming her books, she began to take a deep interest in them. She thought about what she read, and talked of it to her family. As the mother had chosen the books wisely this did not fail its effect on her character. Then the child began to open her eyes to the wonders of the out-of-door world. They lived in a beautiful place, and as far as she was allowed to explore she came to know it well. In time, the greatest pleasure that could be offered her was for her parents to take her farther afield. When she came back to the home town she had quite outgrown her restlessness. She did not fret at solitude, for she had discovered a source of joy from within.

Of course, every child needs the companionship of children. It will not

develop naturally without. The human holocaust product, that is not allowed to mix with other children for fear of contamination, is a well-known type. But quite as much as companionship the child needs occasional periods of solitude. No doubt every mother has noticed how constant companionship with one child will color her child's behavior. Some of the influence will be good, but often some of it is undesirable.

The child in his impressionable years is sure to be influenced by his constant companionships. For that reason, if for no other, there should not be too steady a mental diet of any one companion. There must be times of "aloneness" for the child's own mentality to assert itself, for his own resources to develop; time for the intimate acquaintance with good books, and the world of nature, and for the saving unspoken influences of a good home to work upon him.

TO YOU WHO SMILE.

Smiling is the easiest thing in the world to do. Also, it is one of the most probable things to do. If a story of all the great things achieved in this world through smiles should be gathered together, they would make up a massive library so stupendous and astonishing that the ordinary grumbler would be almost swept from his senses. It certainly is pitiful to listen to the story of a person who tells you that success and prosperity and good things never come around to their house. But I will tell you something. Success and prosperity and good things have to be coaxal, and the fellow who knows how to smile doesn't have very much trouble in coaxing these things. The effect of just smiling is almost miraculous. The other day, in an athletic event at a moment when the contestants seemed keyed up to a nervous strain, strong enough to snap the nerves of any of them, we saw one man go to defeat gloriously. He failed at the critical moment. But he didn't go to pieces. Calmly—he just smiled. The man who will poke his head out from under the tremendous pressure of defeat and discouragement and "don't know-what-to-do-ness" and just smile isn't going to fail. He can't. So, if you are now "up against it," or are afraid you are going to be—just smile—and the chances are that the clouds will pass on and the storm will break somewhere else. Here is a little sentence to paste in your hat: "When you don't know what to do—just smile!"

YOUR BOWELS SHOULD MOVE ONCE A DAY.

A free easy movement of the bowels every day is a sign of good health. Dr. King's New Life Pills will give you a gentle laxative effect without griping and free your system of blood poisons, purify your blood, overcome constipation and have an excellent tonic effect on the entire system. Makes you feel like living. Only 25c at druggists. Advertisement.

THE GREAT PLAINS.

The Great Plains are smooth treeless slopes that extend eastward from the foot of the Rocky Mountains into central Kansas as well as into adjoining States on the north and south. Their western margin has an altitude of almost 5,000 feet near the Rocky Mountains, from which they make a practically continuous descent to an altitude of 2,000 to 2,200 feet in central Kansas, where they merge into rolling prairies. The plains are trenced by the relatively shallow valleys of many rivers and creeks flowing to the east, but extensive areas of the remarkably smooth tabular surface remain between these valleys.

The major part of the Great Plains is covered by sands, gravels, and loams of late Tertiary age (about a million years old), varying in thickness from 50 to 200 feet in greater part and in general lying on a relatively smooth surface of the older rocks. The materials were brought from the Rocky Mountain region by streams which ran in various courses across the region, sometimes cutting valleys but mostly depositing sediments. The time was one of relatively arid conditions, probably in general similar to the present, the streams bringing out of the mountains a larger amount of sediment than they could carry through to the great rivers on the east. The process was long continued, and it is likely also that at times the stream grades were somewhat less than they are at present, so that the deposits were not to any great extent deeply trenced by small creeks, as they are now. It is known from the fossil bones found in the deposits that the region was inhabited by numerous land animals of a sort very different from those of the present era. There were rhinoceroses, camels, three-toed horses, elephants, and lions of peculiar types, as well as a great many species of smaller animals. At certain places in the region large numbers of bones of these strange animals have been found and dug out, and many of these bones are now carefully preserved in museums. (Geological Survey.)

Why not buy it in Maine?

CANTON

J. Clyde Bicknell has purchased the residence of Mrs. Rosie Bicknell and moved in.

Mrs. Alice Frazier of Providence, R. I., is a guest of her uncle, F. W. Dodge, and family.

Everett Reynolds is on the sick list. Harry G. Douglass of Readfield has been a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Ellis.

Mrs. Payson Smith of Boston is a guest of relatives in town.

Mrs. Joshua McKay is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Isabel McKay, of Fairfield.

Mrs. J. C. Bicknell is spending some time with her mother, Mrs. Frank Carver, of Winthrop.

Mrs. Nellie Morse and Mrs. Nina Israson of Rumford have been guests of the Misses Clara and Jennie Barrows.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Berry of Berry's Mills have been guests of their daughter, Mrs. A. S. Morse, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Forhan have been visiting in Portland.

Mrs. Curtis of Auburn has been a guest of Mrs. W. E. Dresser.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Ray, wife of Arthur H. Ray, passed away Friday night, after an illness of about three years with Bright's disease. Mrs. Ray was born in Rochester, N. Y., and moved to Canton fourteen years ago.

Before marriage she was Miss Mary E. Cook. She is survived by her husband, one son, Charles A. Ray; grandson, Conrad Alan Ray; mother, and two brothers. A son, Arthur Ray, passed away in Canton nine years ago and an infant child lies buried in Norwood, Mass. Mrs. Ray was an honored member of Canton Grange, No. 110, F. of H., and of the Canton Universalist Circle.

The funeral was held at the home at one o'clock, Monday, Mrs. L. B. Treadwell officiating. The floral tributes were very beautiful.

The remains of Mrs. Flora J. Noyes, who passed away at the home of her nephew, S. A. Russell, of Dixfield, were brought to Canton, Wednesday for interment in Pine Woods cemetery.

The funeral party was met at the cemetery by Canton friends and prayer offered by Rev. Mr. Gilkey of Dixfield.

Miss Hobart and Miss Prindle of Portland spent Friday at Pinewood Camp.

Mrs. Bartha Sturtevant, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. D. B. Partridge, has returned to Norway.

Miss Agnes Merrill has been called to Bethel by the death of Mrs. J. H. Little, a former Canton resident.

Mrs. Adeline Piper of West Port is visiting her son, E. E. Piper and wife of Hartford.

Miss Pauline House spent the week end at her home in No. Turner.

A pleasant meeting of the Universalist Circle was held Thursday with Mrs. W. B. Gilbert. The next meeting will be at the church and the Ladies Aid of the United Baptist church will be guests.

Mrs. Abbie Proctor is visiting her sister, Mrs. Rudolphus Hathaway, of Auburn.

Ernest I. Ellis has returned to his home in Beverly, Mass.

Mrs. Howard Hanson has been a guest of her sister, Mrs. G. E. Towle.

Mrs. Helen Eastman and Mrs. W. B. Gilbert attended Pomona Grange at Peru, Wednesday.

Frank Bragg has purchased the farm in Hartford owned by Sumner Decoster.

Rev. J. N. Atwood of East Sumner will speak at Hartford Centre next Sunday at two o'clock. A temperance program will be held at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

Hazel Gammon has gone to Auburn to work in the shoe shop.

Leona Hodge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Hodge, submitted to an operation for adenoids last week.

Mrs. Susan Shackley has been on a visit to Kingfield.

Alfred Hodge has gone to Rumford to work.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Foye and Mrs. Evelyn Dunn left Monday for Miami, Fla., where they will spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Howe of Rumford have been calling on friends in town.

Elmer E. Thomas and family of New York are guests of his uncle, Nathaniel Thomas, of Hartford. Mr. Thomas is a native of Hartford, where he spent his boyhood days. He is now proprietor of the Thomas boat line on Harpae Lake in the Adirondacks.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellisha L. Stetson and two children of Dixfield were Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis C. Stetson, of Hartford.

Mrs. C. H. Towle and son of Dixfield visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Lucas, Sunday.

The horse of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Corlies while returning to their home in Hartford, Sunday, became frightened at the doakie team of the Morse children, and going down stony hill, attempted to climb the steep bank by the side of the road. The occupants were obliged to alight and the horse ran, breaking a shaft and the crossbar and clearing itself from the wagon, but was soon caught. Mr. and Mrs. Corlies, who were unhurt, were taken by Dr. R. W. Bicknell to their home.

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Canton Encampment, I. O. O. F., will initiate at their meeting, Friday evening, and a supper will be served.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Richards are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son, Nov. 9th.

Miss Eva Briggs went to Lewiston, Monday, to care for Mrs. Arthur Hall of North Buckfield.

Miss Ella M. Haven of Portland was a guest over Sunday of Miss L. B. Treadwell at the home of John Briggs.

GOVERNMENT CROP REPORT.

A summary of the November crop report for the state of Maine, and for the United States, as compiled by the Bureau of Crop Estimates (and transmitted through the Weather Bureau), U. S. Department of Agriculture is as follows:

MAINE.

Corn—Estimate this year, 763,000 bushels; production last year, final estimate, 650,000 bushels.

Wheat—October estimate, 108,000 bushels; production last year, final estimate, 112,000 bushels.

Oats—October estimate, 5,550,000 bushels; production last year, final estimate, 6,080,000 bushels.

Barley—October estimate, 130,000 bushels; production last year, final estimate, 132,000 bushels.

Potatoes—Estimate this year, 25,500,000 bushels; production last year, final estimate, 22,010,000 bushels.

Hay—September estimate, 1,833,000 tons; production last year, final estimate, 1,897,000 tons.

Apples—Estimate this year, 1,050,000 barrels; production last year, final estimate, 720,000 barrels.

Prices—The first price given below is the average on November 1 this year, and the second the average on November 1 last year. Wheat, — and — cents per bushel. Corn, 138 and 84.

Oats, 79 and 57. Potatoes, 144 and 80. Hay, \$13.99 and \$16.00 per ton. Eggs, 42 and 39 cents per dozen.

UNITED STATES.

Corn—Estimate this year, 2,610,000,000 bushels; production last year, final estimate, 3,054,535,000 bushels.

Wheat—October estimate, 607,557,000 bushels; production last year, final estimate, 1,011,505,000 bushels.

Oats—October estimate, 1,229,182,000 bushels; production last year, final estimate, 1,540,502,000 bushels.

Barley—October estimate, 183,536,000 bushels; production last year, final estimate, 237,009,000 bushels.

Tobacco—Estimate this year, 1,150,000,000 pounds; production last year, final estimate, 1,060,587,000 pounds.

Potatoes—Estimate this year, 250,000,000 bushels; production last year, final estimate, 359,103,000 bushels.

Hay—September estimate, 86,155,000 tons; production last year, final estimate, 85,225,000 tons.

Apples—Estimated this year, 67,700,000 barrels; production last year, final estimate, 76,670,000 barrels.

Cranberries (3 States)—Estimate this year, 412,000 barrels; last year, 423,000 barrels.

Prices—The first price given below is the average on November 1 this year, and the second the average on November 1 last year. Wheat, 158.0 and 83.1 cents per bushel. Corn, 85.0 and 61.9 cents. Oats, 49.0 and 34.8 cents. Potatoes, 136 and 69.5 cents. Hay, \$10.65 and \$10.85 per ton. Cotton, 18.0 and 11.6 cents per pound. Eggs, 32.0 and 26.5 cents per dozen.

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RUMFORD

Mr. Frank Young is enjoying a two weeks' vacation from his duties at the Oxford Mills, and is in the Cypripedium region with Messrs. Walter Mayconell and Ray Harris on a hunting trip.

Misses Olive Bartlett, Aida Henry and Ruby Berry left this week accompanied by Miss Combs for Berlin, N. H., where they will be employed by the Standard Publishing Company.

Theodore Lowell, who is at the home of his uncle, W. W. Hardy, in the Virginia District, met with a bad accident at the International Mill the other day. While at work in the finishing room, he had four fingers severed from his right hand on one of the cutters.

Peter Morrill has established a "Moose Lunch" on Waldo street. Mr. and Mrs. Patrick McCarthy have moved here recently from Lynn, Mass., and Mr. McCarthy has secured employment in the International Mill.

Mrs. B. D. Waterhouse of Canton has succeeded Miss Olive Bartlett as bookkeeper in the office of Stephen R. Pannell. She began her duties this week.

Miss Helen Cushman of Bryant's Pond is the guest of her sister, Mrs. John Walsh of Franklin street.

Miss Louise Roussin has gone to the Fairfield Sanatorium for treatment upon the advice of her physician, Dr. Albert Thibodeau. Miss Louise has not been well for the past year.

Two boys weighing 112 and 122 pounds each were born recently to the wife of Frank Terzola of Main Avenue. Mrs. Terzola and the babies are doing well.

The new comers have been named Tronzo and Trieste.

C. E. Hammond is recovering from a severe attack of jaundice.

Mrs. O. A. Burgess of Andover is receiving treatment at the McCarty Hospital.

W. E. Hutchins, who has been spending several months with his daughter, Mrs. G. A. Penobscot of Penobscot street, has left for Lewiston, where he will spend the winter with his daughter.

Mrs. G. P. Thiele and daughter, Caroline, left last week for their winter home in Florida. Mr. Thiele accompanied his family as far as New York City.

At the next meeting of the Parent-Teachers' Association to be held on Thursday evening, Dec. 7th, at the High School, the principal of the grade schools, Miss McDaniel, Miss Murphy, and Mrs. Neal will give papers describing the experiences with cases of neglect, want, and improper care among the children.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Coke are entertaining Mr. Coke's sister, Mrs. Foster of Michigan.

Wesley Ginzell of Boston is the guest of friends in town.

Glen Stephens and Frank Bibeau are at the Stephens camp on Lake Moosehead on a hunting trip.

Mr. Ezra Dunton, formerly of this town, has accepted a fine position in Haiti as superintendent of an electric light plant there.

A rumor is afloat to the effect that the Lewiston Interurban Railway Company is planning to extend its trolley line from Lewiston to Rumford. The power will be supplied by the Rumford Falls Power Company. It has been stated that the additional power being developed by the R. F. Power Company is for that purpose.

Mrs. George Gauthier of Canton is working at Hotel Rumford.

Purity Rebekah Lodge will entertain the Odd Fellows and their wives at Old Fellows Hall on Wednesday evening of this week. The husbands of the Rebekahs are also invited.

Mon. George D. Bibeau went to Paris this week in the interest of the Mexico Bridge Company vs. the Town of Mexico, the Mexico Bridge District having voted to take over the Mexico Falls bridge. The question is the determination of values, the award of the County Commissioners not being satisfactory to the Bridge Company, and they are appealing from this award and asking for the appointment of an independent commission. The arguments will be before Judge Savage who will determine as to the necessity and appoint the commission.

Mrs. Frank Lambert of Readfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac W. Green of Franklin street, this town, is at the Central Maine General Hospital in Lewiston.

The Quaid Est Club was entertained on Saturday evening by Miss Carolyn Kenniston and Miss Mabel Chase, the evening's play resulting in highest scores for the club captained by Miss

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Mary Morse. The club voted to pay in a certain amount of money at each meeting of the club, this money to be saved during the winter months for a grand club outing in the spring. Mrs. Dana G. York was elected treasurer.

During the evening a buffet lunch of frankfurts, doughnuts, cider and apples was served by the hostesses, a unique sign being placed over the lunch table bearing the words, "Dinner night lunch eat." The next meeting of the club will be held with Miss Mary Morse.

A very jolly whist club of two tables has been formed in the Virginia District, consisting of the following couples: Dr. and Mrs. Carl Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Huntington, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Morrison, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Derry. The meeting last week was held with Mr. and Mrs. Huntington.

Captain Lucian W. Blanchard of Rumford, who was on the Mexican border as Captain of the Livemore Company, was the guest on Tuesday evening of this week of the Vaseca Club of Auburn, when he attended the club banquet at Hotel Cortland, after which he told them of border conditions.

Perley K. Delano, laborer of Rumford, has entered a petition in bankruptcy with liabilities given as \$1137.17, of which \$615.00 is secured, and \$522.17 is unsecured. Assets consisting of live stock, carriages, etc., are given as \$646.00. The principal creditor is Waldo Pettengill. Attorneys, Bibeau and Parker.

GILEAD.

Merle Cole of Portland is visiting his father, Goodwin Cole.

Alphonso Defosse and family have moved to Shelburne, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Springer of Portland are spending several days here.

Chester Weston has finished work for G. E. Leighton.

There was a social dance at the Town Hall last Thursday evening and a good crowd attended.

J. E. Richardson and family went to Bethel last Sunday to attend the funeral of his uncle, Hiram Twissell.

Dr. Herbert Merrill and friend of Yarmouth are in this vicinity on a few days' hunting trip.

A party from Norway consisting of George Carter, Lewis Fogg, Geo. Hancock, Ed. Connors and Dr. Frank Richardson are in town on a hunting expedition.

Mrs. Reed Montgomery and son are visiting at H. E. Wheeler's for a few days.

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UP IN HIS HISTORY, ALL RIGHT. In some school not located—locate it to please yourself—the teacher was hearing the history lesson. Turning to one of the scholars, she asked: "James, what was Washington's Farewell Address?"

The new boy arose with a promptitude that promised well for his answer. "Heaven, me'am," he said.

ANDOVER

Mrs. George Abbott and Mrs. George Learned visited Mrs. Tena Baker, Thursday of last week.

Roger Thurston, wife and daughter, were guests Sunday at F. P. Flint's, North Newry.

W. W. Perkins has sold his farm to Mr. A. Howard.

Walter Akers and wife from Kent's Hill are visiting Mr. Akers' parents, Lucien Akers and wife.

Alvin Averill and Mrs. Shorey are working at Rangouley.

The annual meeting of the Oxford North Agricultural Society was held Wednesday last. The following officers were elected: President, Y. A. Thurston; 1st vice president, R. B. Stratton; 2nd vice president, C. T. Poor; secretary, Stephen Abbott; treasurer, Mathias Mooney; trustees, John Thomas, Roxbury, John F. Talbot.

Those present from out of town were: E. B. Martin and R. B. Stratton.

The Ladies' Aid of the Congregational church met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. C. A. Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Field, who have been at the Upper Dam the past season, returned to Andover, Sunday, and are guests of their daughters, Mrs. I. B. Mills and Mrs. Irving Akers.

George Ernst has moved his family into Alvin Averill's rent.

The Ladies' Aid will hold a sale of rugs, Saturday at one p. m., at the town hall.

Linwood Averill is doing chores for R. L. Thurston.

Lono Mr. Grange are to send a postal card shower to Mrs. O. A. Burgess, who is ill at McCarty's Hospital, Rumford.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Jordie have gone to Wilson's Mills to work for Nathaniel Leach.

The furnace committee will serve a chicken pie supper at the hall, Saturday evening followed by an entertainment.

Arthur Lovejoy, a retired Boston police officer, died recently in a Boston hospital. Mr. Lovejoy was born in Andover, Dec. 8, 1863, the son of John and Mary Adams Lovejoy. He was a member of the Boston police force from 1894 until his retirement a few months ago.

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WEST BETHEL.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Bean from Auburn have been spending a few days at G. D. Morrill's.

Mrs. Helen Tyler has returned from Mechanic Falls, where she has been caring for Mrs. Arthur Chapman and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Blon Brown and children visited Mrs. Helen Tyler, recently. Mr. Hugh Thurston was in Hastings, Sunday.

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WEST PARIS

The Universalist Good Will Society will hold their annual sale of fancy articles, aprons, candy and miscellaneous articles on Wednesday, Nov. 22, at 2 o'clock. At 5.30 to 7 o'clock a chicken pie supper will be served. Arrangements are being made for a pleasant evening.

Rev. Adams Henny lectured on temperance at the Universalist church, Tuesday evening.

The remains of Horace Andrews of Bethel were brought here Sunday for interment in the family lot in West Paris Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ricker and daughter, Mabel, attended the funeral of Mrs. Ricker's brother, Mr. Andrews.

Mrs. J. W. Cummings, Mrs. M. S. Dubler and Mrs. H. R. Tuell have been ill but are improving.

Lendall Yates had the bad luck to have a yoke of steers killed near Walker's Mills by the cars. Mr. Yates had purchased some cattle to kill for his meat market and these strayed from the herd.

The tennis tournament at W. Paris High School was played off last week with the following results:

Frank Packard defeated Paul Whittemore, 8-6, 6-3, 6-4.

Herbert Hill defeated Howard Embury, 6-1, 6-2.

Ralph McAllister defeated Earle Bacon, 6-3, 6-2.

Finals played off by Hill and Packard. Championship won by Frank Packard.

Edith Stevens defeated Mildred Conant, 9-7, 6-4.

Marjorie McAllister defeated Lucy Edwards, 6-3, 3-6, 6-3.

Finals played off by Edith Stevens and Marjorie McAllister. Championship won by Marjorie McAllister.

Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Ford of Melrose, Mass., were recent visitors at D. C. Churchill's. They came to Wilton where they went to attend the funeral of Mr. Ford's brother, Cummings Ford.

M. S. Dubler is building an addition to his house for bath rooms and other purposes.

Ralph Bacon, Augustus Bacon and Carroll Bacon recently motored to Farmington to visit Clara Bacon, who is teaching the primary grade.

Mrs. M. S. Dubler has been quite ill for several days.

Mrs. P. C. Mayhew was in Lewiston, recently.

E. R. Berry, Ralph Bacon and Harry Mann are spending a few days' hunting trip in Roxbury.

Mrs. J. W. Cummings is recovering from a severe illness.

Mrs. A. K. Shurtliff of South Paris is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Lane.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Emerson of Auburn are guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Penley, and Mr. Emerson is enjoying his usual fall hunting trips with old friends.

The Misses Ella and Clara Berry have purchased a house lot on Pioneer street, and are having cellar and foundation laid on which to build a new bungalow.

The citizens of West Paris are rejoicing over the grading and work done around the Grand Trunk station. For a long time in rainy weather people have been obliged to drive or walk through mud to get to the station, although the long platform reaching nearly to the post office enables people able to walk the distance to get to their conveyances quite comfortably. Now the grounds have been drained by a large sewer, and are well graded, with a large flower bed, and the long distance up the track where freight is unloaded from cars is cleared of stone and debris and in decent condition. For a long time hundreds of cords of pulp have been unloaded in this central part of the village. Now through the courtesy of the Grand Trunk and the interest of one of our progressive health officers, the entire appearance is changed. The depot has also been newly shingled.

Mrs. Nellie Hammond of Gorham, N. H., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles Curtis.

Rev. and Mrs. D. A. Hall, who were the only delegates to attend the State Sunday School Convention at Waterville, gave a report of the meeting at a union meeting of the Sunday School workers at the Methodist church, Wednesday evening. Rev. Mr. Hall gave a similar talk at the Universalist church the Sunday following his return.

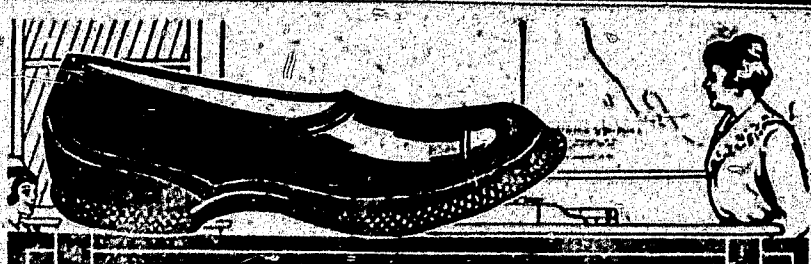
Dr. Wheeler was a recent guest of Dr. Harris of Oxford, with other members of the Oxford Medical Association, at a game supper.

Mrs. Clara Ryder and Mrs. Phila Sheild recently spent the day at Norway.

Snyder, the delivery work horse at the Paris Manufacturing Co. factory, dropped dead on Main street, Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Staples is recovering from a recent surgical operation performed by Dr. W. E. Webber of Lewiston. Dr. Staples assisted.

D. D. G. M., Mrs. Emma Howe of Rumford, visited Granite Chapter, O. E. S., Thursday evening. A supper was



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served at 6.30 to members of the order. Several members from Granite Chapter visited Mr. Zircon Chapter of Rumford Falls, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Berry and Leon have been at Lewiston during the past week to visit Rupert, who is making good recovery. Rupert is assistant Scout Master of the West Paris troops, and is said to have exemplified the calmness and courage in emergency which is a part of their training.

Mr. and Mrs. Kendall of Bethel recently visited their daughter, Mrs. W. S. Ring, and family.

Mrs. Columbia Dunham is visiting the family of F. D. Welcome at Walham, Mass.

Miss Wall is spending a short time with Mr. and Mrs. Edwin J. Mann during the absence of Mrs. Columbia Dunham, where she has rooms.

Mrs. E. J. Denman is with the family of B. B. Davis at Woodstock.

Mrs. P. C. Mayhew was in Lewiston, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Bowker of Portland returned home, Tuesday. Mrs. Bowker has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Tuell, and Mr. Bowker has been on a hunting trip with his brothers to Oquossoc and other places.

Many friends here learned with regret of the death Thursday of David Foster of Locke's Mills. Mr. and Mrs. Foster resided here for several years, and much sympathy goes out to the bereaved widow.

Mrs. Mattie Mooney Lyons left Tuesday for her winter home at Zephyrhills, Florida.

Mrs. Elmina Bicknell of Norway has been the recent guest of her niece, Mrs. F. H. Hill.

There has been a union reading and study class formed from the Methodist, Baptist and Universalist churches, which will take up the book entitled "Missions and World Peace." It will meet once in two weeks during the winter. A general committee consisting of Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Grundy, and Mrs. Flavin were appointed, with Mrs. A. D. Cornburn secretary and treasurer. The first meeting will be with Mrs. L. C. Bates, Monday afternoon. A cordial invitation is extended to anyone interested, or who might be so, to join.

The work of labeling cans closed at the corn shop the first of last week. The whole number of cans packed were 450,642.

WHEN YOU HAVE A COLD

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FALL CARE OF FLOWERS.

Winter Protection for Perennial Plants—How to Prepare and Store Roots and Bulbs.

Steps to be taken at this season for placing the flower garden in shape for winter will vary with the kinds of plants grown and the latitude, say specialists of the department. In the case of perennials, which die down to the ground but which should live through the winter and send up shoots again on the advent of warm weather, the roots should be well mulched with manure 3 or 4 inches deep as soon as the ground freezes. In this group are included such plants as peonies, larkspur, hollyhock, columbine, iris, platycodon, and perennial poppies.

Cannas and Kindred Plants.

Plants such as canna, dahlias, gladiolus, and Caladiums should have their roots dug up and stored in a cellar where the temperature will not rise

above 60 degrees nor fall below 50 degrees F. The root clumps of canna and dahlias should not be shaken free of soil. These plants with the soil naturally adhering to them should be placed on racks or in flat boxes so that air may circulate among them. It is important that the roots do not become too warm or dry and that no frost shall reach them. The bulbs of gladiolus, Caladiums, and tuberose, on the other hand, should be carefully cleaned of soil and dried in the open air for a day or two. They may be stored in the cellar.

Geraniums.

In all but semitropical portions of the United States geraniums must be taken indoors for winter. Florists usually make cuttings in the fall to grow new plants in greenhouses for spring use. This practice is, of course, impracticable for the average householder. The latter may take up growing plants and hold them in a dormant condition by storing upright in boxes of dry soil in a cellar having a temperature of from 40 degrees to 50 degrees F. The plants may be placed close together with only a little dry soil among the roots.

Pansters.

While taking many plants indoors for the winter, the home gardener in a large section of the country should set out in the fall the pansy plants which are to make up the spring beds of these flowers. This procedure should be followed in the country south of a line from New York City to Springfield, Ill. The young plants should be covered by coarse manure at the first freezing of the ground before it has an opportunity to thaw.

Preparing Shrubs for Winter.

While a number of the shrubs commonly grown in the garden will go through the winter without injury if left alone, others must be given varying degrees of special attention. Among the shrubs which need no unusual fall and winter care are snowball, spirea, mock orange, and lilacs.

Hydrangeas, even in the south, must have special winter protection and in the north must be lifted, set in tubs, and kept in a frost-proof cellar. An east and west line through Philadelphia is generally accepted as marking the boundary north of which it is necessary to take hydrangeas indoors. South of this line it is usually sufficient to protect the tops of the plants with straw or brush while they are in their outdoor locations. A little manure or straw may be placed on this covering to hold it in place. The braggamania, or thorn apple, should be treated like the hydrangea.

APPLE LEAF-SOWER.

The apple leaf-sower, sometimes termed the apple leaf-foller, is readily controlled by the use of a spray of 2 pounds arsenate of lead to 50 gallons of water. This spray should be used on young orchards before June 15. In older orchards spraying with arsenate for the colling moth will also protect the tree from the leaf-sower.

These insects, if not controlled, may seriously affect the foliage, as the larvae after folding one leaf and exhausting its food supply, pass on to other leaves. One larva may damage several leaves in a season.

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POST-MORTEM EXAMINATIONS OF POULTRY.

By G. E. Conkey.

Many poultry diseases may be diagnosed with certainty without going further than studying the external appearance of the fowl, but there are a number of ailments that could not possibly be determined except by examining the internal organs, noting their general condition, and the action of the disease. Odd cases may come up or birds die suddenly without apparent cause and unless a post-mortem examination is made there is little chance of telling what is wrong. If you find out what was wrong and discover a contagious disease, you can at once take steps towards its control. An early definite knowledge of abnormal conditions is a great advantage.

In order to recognize any departure from a healthy condition every poultryman should be familiar with the appearance of the internal organs in a state of health. Dressing fowls for the table offers you a splendid opportunity to observe the anatomy and besides it will enable you to keep in close touch with the health and condition of your flock.

THE POST-MORTEM.

The work connected with a post-mortem will be found less disagreeable if the examination is made soon after death. At that time also, there are less chances of changes having taken place through decomposition. To prepare the dead bird for examination, place it on its back on a table or board, spread out the legs and wings and nail or otherwise secure them to hold the body firmly. With a sharp pointed knife make a cut about the shape of the letter U, letting the ends come just behind the shoulder joints, with the center of the circular end just in front of the vent. This cut can be made by patting the feathers but it is a better plan to remove the feathers about these parts. In using the knife cut from below, that is coming up with the stroke, so that there is less danger of your rupturing any of the organs. Along either side the cut is made across the ribs near the edge of the breast bone. After proceeding this far it is an easy matter to grasp the point of the breast bone with one hand and by holding the body firmly with the other force the breast back towards the head loosening it in a way that it can be removed altogether with little effort.

Most of the organs are now exposed to view in their natural position. Take each organ in turn and make a mental comparison with the same organ in a healthy fowl being on the lookout for any evidence of disease.

THE LIVER.

The liver is a very prominent organ and in a healthy fowl should be of a uniform rich, reddish brown color, free from spots or discolorations. It should be firm in texture and not excessively large nor shrivelled up.

Sometimes the liver will be found soft and spongy, greatly enlarged or of a light yellowish color and such a condition is an indication of what is commonly called liver trouble. It should be taken as a warning that changes in feeding are necessary. The food may be too rich or stimulating, the birds may be over-fed or green food lacking. A change of feed with perhaps more exercise is the remedy.

A deposit of white material over the surface of the liver would indicate affected kidney function. Spots of various kinds usually in the nature of ulcers or nodules are commonly found on the liver and these should be noted as characteristic symptoms with certain diseases.

THE HEART.

The heart should be firm in texture, free from excessive fat and without tubercles. Enlargement of the heart is one of the most common diseases of the organ but to judge this some familiarity with the normal size would be necessary. If both lobes of the heart are not of the same size indications point to heart failure. Nodules on the heart or nodules in the heart sac, denote tuberculousis.

THE LUNGS.

Just back of the heart will be found the lungs, composed of a pink, colored, spongy tissue. They should always be examined for tuberculous nodules or for lesions of aspergilliosis, the latter affection of this organ being the more common. In fowls tuberculousis is more liable to affect other organs than the lungs. Pneumonia of the lungs is the most common disease of this organ. In this disease, the lung will be found very dark in color and filled with blood. To learn if any foreign matter is present, lay open the wind pipes and watch for any signs of irritation or cheesy formations.

OTHER ORGANS.

The crop and gizzard should be opened to determine whether there is anything in their food content to cause trouble. While doing this, note also the condition of the linings.

Examine the intestines carefully, since they are more or less involved in various digestive diseases and also may show the effect of any harmful material that might have been eaten by the bird. Look for intestinal parasites for they are frequently present in such numbers as to be harmful. Tubercles, ulcers, or other evidence of any unnatural conditions should be carefully watched for.

Press the liver to one side and you will find the spleen, a small dark colored organ that is particularly liable to infection in tuberculousis. The presence of the tubercles or nodules here makes the diagnosis of the disease certain.

The kidneys which sit snugly up along the back bone are normally of a dark red, mottled appearance, and in disease it is the color that is most noticeably affected.

The egg organs are subject to many derangements. Tumors on the ovary, rupture of the oviduct or obstruction with an egg in process of laying are frequently quite common.

If roup or any disease of the air passages is suspected, the head can be opened up for the purpose of exposing the throat and nasal passages.

After you have gone over the bird thoroughly and feel you have located the trouble, refer to any description you may have of the disease or derangement and make every possible comparison so as to make recognition a certainty. Then study the underlying fundamental conditions that brought about the trouble and correct them so that other birds in the flock may not suffer. Here is the real value and use for a post-mortem examination.

With each examination the work will

WHO WERE THE

ANCIENT AZTECS?

Where Did These People Come From and Where Did They "Disappear" to? Did They Ever "Disappear"? Or Did They Develop, Rise and Then Decline and Decay to Their Final Extinction?

(By M. J. Brown.)

Now a few observations and guesses, about the Aztec ruins, and then to something else.

First I want to call your attention to something I have observed, and the conclusions that chase it.

I have visited many of the ruins of cliff dwellers and communal homes of the southwest and nearly all of the inhabited communal pueblos—Taos, Laguna, Acoma, Zuni and others.

In all of them are to be found sea shells. I never saw an Indian village where they were not found—lots of them. The cliff dwellers used them for ornaments, and in the Aztec ruins I have described they were found in abundance. Turquoise and sea shells were the jewels of our ancient Americans.

These shells came from the Pacific ocean. They could not have come from anywhere else.

Now comes a curious and interesting conclusion.

Nowhere in California is there a ruin of cliff dwellers, communal ruins or cave homes—that is of the ancients—while parts of Colorado and Utah, and nearly every county of Arizona and New Mexico are full of them, and Mexico is a museum of antiquities of a people of wonderful civilization.

And the conclusion is that when the pre-historic people built the ruins I have written of; when they honey-combed the cliffs of Arizona and New Mexico with their homes of defense, at that time there was no California, no Lower California, possibly no Oregon or Washington, and the waves of the Pacific lapped on the boundaries of Arizona and Sonora, Mexico.

And there was where they got their sea shells.

In later time the coast states were heaved up from the Pacific, and at the same time no doubt a great country on the Pacific was swallowed up, destroyed.

In the centuries ago there was, no doubt, almost a connection between this country and China—almost a chain of islands to the Hawaiians and from there to China. A great upheaval pushed up the coast states and swallowed the ocean islands, and the ancients that built our pre-historic wonders were the Chinamen that got cut off at the time of the earthquake.

If this doesn't suit you, it's your turn.

Nearly all writers of the ancient ruins make much of the mystery of the cliff dwellers and the Aztecs. They always drag in that none know from whence they came or whether they went.

None will ever know for this all happened in the days before the white man, and the ancients didn't leave any histories kicking around.

Once our pre-historic people lived in rude caves, much as our wild animals live in them. They were little above the beasts. In succeeding generations they evolved, developed, and rose from the cave homes to the cliff homes. Generations afterwards they left the cliffs and went to the prairies, where they built houses first of skins and stones, then larger ones of mud. Then as they became wiser they built such cities, castles and pyramids as I have described, and established governments. They became wonderful for the time in which they lived—the stone age.

And then what? What became of them? Where did they disappear to? Every writer leaves these fascinating questions unanswered.

I don't believe they ever "disappeared." I believe they simply stayed on the job, at the same old stand, until, like the old-time store-keeper (who didn't advertise) they simply "perished out;" that they rose from the lowest form of human, passed through the successive stages of development and growth, and went down the achate in decline and decay to final extinction.

And no doubt in the centuries of the future (this one will hold you) a people will excavate our present homes; will dig up our irrigating works, or railroad grades and our structures of concrete and steel, and wonder and ponder over a lost people and civilization.

It will always be a matter of conjecture as to what became of the people who built the walled villages and the massive structures of the Gila valley.

Some hold that the social organization contributed to the extinction. In nearly all the pueblo tribes marriage is forbidden in the numerous clans; hence in an isolated region this would be a big factor in restraining the birth rate. Then, too, as in the inhabited communal village of Zuni, centuries of

living entirely among themselves, with intermarriage, tends to degeneracy and decline. For hundreds of years, some say thousands of years, the Indians of Zuni have lived in the same place, until today they are virtually all blood relatives, and there are weird and strange instances of degeneracy, the most remarkable of which are Albinos. I have seen full-blooded Zuni Indians with complexions as fair as an Oregon school girl and hair as white as a Swede.

There is no evidence of a sudden cataclysm at the Gila ruins; nothing that indicates a sudden taking off or abandonment, but rather that the people reached a certain height of civilization, then gradually degenerated, lost their arts and culture and went back to the ordinary reservation Indian of today—which are, in my judgment, the survivors of the mysterious Aztecs and cliff dwellers of the southwest.

Just over the wall from the ruins of Montezuma's castle is an Indian tepee or hogan, built by the Pima Indians a few years ago.

An ethnologist who still clings to the "disappearance" theory, had the Indians build this hut by the side of the massive walls of the great building, to dispel by illustration the theory that the present Indians are descendants of the unknown people of the long-ago.

The two homes are wonderful contrasts. The illustration is to prove that the present Indians have no connection with the civilized men who built the great ruins, but it is entirely possible and even probable, that it illustrates the degeneration of a thousand years.

One thing that butts in and breaks up my theory of evolution is that only a few miles north of these ruins, are wonderful cliff dwellers' ruins, and that the skeletons found there are of a small people, while those of the Aztec ruins are of medium stature. One skeleton recently exhumed from the cliff ruins near Florence, was but about two feet long, yet the bones of a middle-aged man.

And the wise men tell us the cliff ruins are but a little more ancient than the pueblos. Only ten or fifteen miles apart are these monuments of antiquity and yet showing races of people entirely different. It's your turn to guess.

Here is a curious belief of Indians regarding the turquoise. They believe the green stone is the excrement of the rattlesnake. All Indian tribes have more or less superstitions regarding the rattlesnake. One tribe will eat them with a terrible crime to kill one. The Hopi people handle them with impunity and appear to be immune from the poison of their fangs.

Across the desert plains of the Gila valley can be traced the ancient irrigation ditches that once supplied the inhabitants with water. The rains of centuries and the desert vegetation have nearly obliterated them, but at the time of the Spanish invasion they were very plain. The water was brought from the Gila river, a distance of about three miles through big ditches. And these ditches were dug without metal tools of any kind, scooped out by hand and by wooden shovels made with the crudest of stone tools. Such conceivably of the wonderful accomplishment under such conditions.

The present Puma Indians who live in the vicinity of the Aztec ruins, do not claim any relationship with the builders. They have a superstitious fear of the big piles and will not go near them, and if one has to pass them he will cross himself.

The tools of the ancient people were many and ingenious. There was an abundance of many kinds of stones from which to make implements, and all kinds of volcanic rock for use in their homes for floors, fire places, etc. There were many hard stones suitable for axes and other tools, clay for pottery, pigments for their coloring and decoration. There were trees and hardy shrubs in the mountains from which they made their bows and arrows and from which they secured basket material. Reeds were used for arrows, tipped with stones; grasses and rushes along the river were woven into sandals and mats. Cotton was grown for clothing and skins of wild animals were also used for this purpose. The bones, claws, teeth and hoofs of animals were utilized for many purposes. The turkey seems to be the only domestic fowl. These were the days before horses or cows.

The pre-historic people wore many ornaments. Shells were the most prized. They wore them as necklaces, anklets, wristlets, rings and armbands.

It is but a question of a few years when nature will again hide these monuments of an unknown race from sight. Erosion is fast reclaiming them and the huge walls of the "castles" are each year wasting and weakening and soon they will collapse and vegetation will cover them. The exhumed enclosing walls of the village and the main walls of the buildings each year waste away as the fall rains descend, and no doubt in twenty years from now there will be little to see but piles of dirt.

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squirrels undermining their foundations and they topple over.

While it would be a big undertaking to preserve these big ruins, yet it would seem not too big for the preservation of these mysterious ruins. The wonderful dry climate of the southwest has done far more for their preservation than has our government, and it would seem that a postoffice or river appropriation could be skipped and these wonderful museums of an extinct race be preserved.

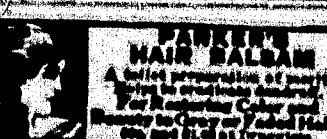
In Yuma, they say there is only one hotter place than Yuma. In later years they have amended it by saying only one hotter inhabited place. I found that place, and next week will write you of the hottest and most desolate spot in the western continent—shunned Death Valley.

ANCIENT OCEANS IN NORTHERN MAINE.

One of the interesting problems that the geologist is required to solve in tracing the development of the earth's surface to its present form is that of determining the areas of land and sea during different ages. The story of the land and seas written in the rocks that underlie the several continents; the geologist must decipher it. The abundant remains of sea animals in regions which are now far from the sea furnish clear evidence that great changes have taken place on the earth's surface since the eras in which these creatures lived. The accurate interpretation of this evidence is, however, slow and difficult, and much information is still needed before it will be possible to do more than make tentative paleogeographic maps—maps that show roughly the outlines of ancient continents and seas—for the whole world, or even for fairly well known areas. Consequently, an especial scientific value is attached to any contribution to knowledge bearing on the correlation of the rock formations of the different continents—that is, on the identification of formations laid down during the same epoch. Such wide correlations are supported chiefly by the character of the animal and plant remains inclosed in the beds, for a group or association of the same types of living forms occurred at essentially the same time in different parts of the world and from such an occurrence the geologist can draw valid inferences as to ancient geography. This principle is especially applicable to sea animals, for the conditions of life are less variable in the sea than on the land, many sea forms have a wide distribution, and the chances of the preservation of such forms are much greater.

Such a contribution to the knowledge of ancient conditions is contained in Professional Paper 89 of the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, on the "Fauna of the Champan Sandstone of Maine," by H. S. Williams and C. L. Beger, which discusses the fossils found in the Champan sandstone of Aroostook County, Maine, near Presque Isle. The fauna described comprises 127 species and varieties belonging to various groups of invertebrates, and one fish, and may safely be correlated with a later phase of the Helderberg fauna, which lived in North America, and with the so-called Hercynian fauna of Europe. The Champan fauna is intermediate in character between these two and thus forms a link connecting the two continents. It contains enough identical and closely related species in common with each of the other faunas to prove that it was approximately contemporaneous with them. It is, furthermore, younger than the Ticonderoga fauna, the uppermost member of the English Silurian, or the Nova Scotia, and hence helps to establish a common upper boundary for the Silurian rocks on both sides of the Atlantic. Some of the fossils discussed in this paper were already known, but many are new. They are described and illustrated in a manner that makes the paper valuable to the stratigrapher and paleontologist, though it is too technical for the layman.

Has you saw it in the Citizen.



PLANTING BULBS OUTDOORS.

The first frost which will put an end to the development of many of the flowers in the home garden should be the signal, say specialists of the department, for the planting of bulbs of the tulip, hyacinth, and narcissus, which are to furnish the first touch of color for the outdoor garden in the spring. The bulbs may be put in even before the appearance of the first frost, but better not until after.

Tulips and hyacinths should be placed in beds in light, rich soil that has been dug to a depth of at least 10 inches. They should be set 4 inches deep and 5 inches apart. If the narcissus and its variants—jonquils and daffodils—are to be planted in beds, the soil should be prepared similarly and the bulbs should be set 10 inches apart and 5 inches deep.

A pleasing variation from planting the narcissus type of early spring-blooming bulbs formally in beds is to plant them in scattered groups on the open lawn or in the edge of shrubbery. A good plan in arranging for the location of the flowers on the lawn is to broadcast the bulbs and plant them where they fall. A small hole 5 or 6 inches deep should be made and the bulb inserted, pointed end up. The hole should then be pressed full of soil. Often the narcissus, planted in this way, will become naturalized on the lawn, and will continue to grow there indefinitely, coming up year after year, if the tops are left uncut until near the 1st of June. Where the lawn is kept cut the tops of the plants are cut off before the bulb has a chance to develop for the next year's blooming, though they may survive a year or two, but become weak and poor after the first or second year. Crocus bulbs may be planted in the lawn in the same way, but the top should not be deeper than twice the length of the bulb.

PLANTING BULBS INDOORS.

At the same time that bulbs are being planted out of doors, bulbs of the same kind and other sorts may be prepared for growth in the house. The housewife who is to grow flowers in this latter manner has several possibilities open to her. She may grow many of the bulbs in soil in window boxes or pots, in moistened fiber or moss, or among pebbles, and may grow hyacinths in water alone.

If soil is selected for the growing medium, the boxes or pots should be provided with a layer of coarse drainage material such as pebbles and broken pots, and then filled with light soil. Three to five bulbs may be placed small, end up in a medium sized pot, and should be covered with 1 inch of soil. After planting, the box or pot in which hyacinths or narcissus are planted should be placed out of doors and covered with about 4 inches of ashes or sand. The bulbs so planted should be left out of doors for from three to six weeks until a quantity of roots have formed. If it is considered more desirable, the pots or boxes may be placed in a dark, cool room or in a cellar, without covering, and left until the bulbs have formed a mat of long roots. If they throw up sprouts from 2 to 3 inches high before the roots are formed they have been kept too warm. The soil must be kept well moistened, but not overmoist. After the root-forming period is past, the pots or boxes may be taken to a light, moderately warm room for flowering. If the room is too warm the stems will be long and weak. If cool they will be short and strong and make more attractive plants.

If the bulbs are to be grown in bowls of pebbles or moss, or in water, they should also be set in a cellar for root formation to take place before being taken to the room in which they are to bloom.

Alliums, shallots, and the like need to be kept in a light, warm place from the time of planting. Tulips are hard to grow in the house and should not be attempted except by experienced plant growers after receiving special instructions.

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Two years later, in consequence of the sudden death of his father, he was called upon to assume added responsibilities in the management of business and family affairs.

Then he went to New York, and at the solicitation of his friends in the United States Watch Company, accepted the position of assistant superintendent of their hotel at Marion, N. J. This field, however, was too limited, and he soon secured employment as night clerk at the New York Hotel of which Messrs. Brockway and Wrayley were then proprietors. When the latter suggested to him that himself might be had been a manager he might not enjoy the duties of a night clerk, he replied that he wished to learn the workings of a cosmopolitan hotel and was prepared, if necessary, to assume the lowest position, and determined, wherever placed, to do his work to the best of his ability. In six months he was made room clerk in place of "Mort" Mann, who went to the Windsor.

MR. SEAVEY IN BOSTON.

Upon the opening of the Hotel Brunswick, Boston, Mr. Seavey was engaged and became associated with Colonel Thornton and assumed charge of the office, holding his position there for a period of five years, his services being begun under Colonel Wolcott, the original proprietor of the house, and continued after the change of proprietorship under Messrs. Barnes and Dunklee. While at the Brunswick he was engaged by Mr. Isaac S. Craft as manager of the famous Maplewood Hotel, Bethlehem, N. H., and remained in his employ for many years, not only winning for the Maplewood an enviable reputation, but taking charge of the erection and management of Mr. Craft's Florida Hotel, the Magnolia at Magnolia Springs, and the San Marco, at St. Augustine.

Mr. Seavey's ability, as displayed in the management of these latter hotels, attracted the attention of Mr. H. M. Flagler, who, with Mr. Flagler, made his winter home at the San Marco during its first two seasons. As a result, when the foundations of the magnificent Ponce de Leon Hotel were being built, Mr. Seavey, having resigned his position with Mr. Craft, was engaged by Mr. Flagler to attend to the endless details of the construction and furnishing of that wonderful hotel, and to assume its management when its doors should open to the wondering throngs of winter visitors. Mr. Seavey not only conducted the Ponce de Leon for seven seasons, but was also intrusted by Mr. Flagler with the control of his other St. Augustine hotels, the Alcazar and the Cordova, as well as his winter estate he was engaged in summer to direct the destinies of that charming Northern resort, Hotel Champlain, Lake Champlain.

HE GOES TO MAGNOLIA.

He resigned from the management of Mr. Flagler's hotels at the close of the season of 1901-02 and for two years travelled extensively in California, and in 1903 purchased the Magnolia Springs Hotel and property at Magnolia Springs, Florida, and has since made that his winter home, improving and adding to the comforts of the hotel until it is now one of the most homelike hotels in the South, the conducting of it bringing him back curiously enough to the initial starting point of his successful career in the South, now proprietor, where formerly manager. Under his management Magnolia Springs and the remedial virtues of Magnolia Spring water, are becoming well known to winter tourists and the general public.

Mr. Seavey resigned from the management of Hotel Champlain at the close of the season of 1901. For three years previous to his resignation the subject of building a hotel at Lebanon, Maine, had been often broached, and it only required his decision to accept an interest and the management of it, to secure its building. When his favorable decision was given, the construction of the hotel was immediately commenced, and the name, Hotel Seavey, was complimentary to the former owner of the property was given it.

AN IDEAL MANAGER.

In this, as in all other of his undertakings, Mr. Seavey showed great executive ability and that steadiness of purpose, which has always carried him through the many perplexities and annoyances attendant upon the building, furnishing and opening of a large hotel. He is most unwavering in his opinions and very prompt and decisive in action. His indomitable will, combined with excellent judgment, making for him a most successful leader. Being upright and honorable in all his dealings, "his word is as good as his bond," and he will maintain right and justice above everything else. Never seeming to be in a hurry, but always cool and collected under the most trying circumstances, he readily "grazes the situation" at all times, and acts quickly and quietly in meeting the needs. An outgoing worker himself,

MAINE'S FOREST POLICY.

The growing importance of our forests and the need of a wise and consistent policy of state management and protection thereof call for a radical legislative act to change our present governmental administration. To get this act it will be necessary to educate public opinion to the wise point which it has achieved in most other states, and as the timberland owners and the managers of industries directly connected with timberlands are most directly concerned with the proposed change, I ask you to read with care the tentative model herein submitted, and to write me whether or no you will favor its adoption. If the majority of men to whom this letter is being sent do favor the change proposed the matter will be placed before the Maine Forestry Association, and that Association asked to have drawn up a bill for submission to the legislature. The Association will also be asked to give full publicity to the matter through the papers of the state, and in any other way it deems wise.

It is proposed to abolish the office of State Land Agent and Forest Commissioner, and in their stead to have appointed by the Governor and Council a Commission of Lands and Forests, composed of three men, one to serve three years, one for two years, and one for one year, and new appointments to be made thereafter for terms of three years. This will give a commission on which at least two members will have served one or two years, so that policies of management and direction can be consecutive, and so that the interests of politics will not affect the general principles of wise administration. In some states the members of commissions kindred to such a proposed one serve without compensation, although they are allowed legitimate expenses incurred in the carrying out of their work; in other states each member of the commission is paid a salary; in your reply to this letter please consider this point and indicate your opinion thereon, and the amount of the salary you would advise, if any.

Under the Commission of Lands and Forests, which will act as a board of directors and final authority, must be a business manager or executive, who will actually carry out the forest policy of the state. Therefore it is proposed that the commission appoint a state forester, to serve during its pleasure, at a reasonable salary. The state forester, providing he renders satisfactory service, would naturally be kept from year to year, and will be altogether outside the environs of politics. It is his function to execute the decisions of the commission, and to have general charge (under the commission) of the state's forest policy, of the state land, over nurseries and reforestation projects, over the state fire protection system, and over the educational and scientific researches of the state. His office will be at Augusta, and he will be the active head of the state timber land service.

Under the state forester's supervision will come the forestry work of the University of Maine; this should consist (outside of training students) of all scientific and educational measures which will aid in the conservation of Maine's woodlands. Demonstrations and experiments, public and private, should be made; advice on the treatment of specific tracts, particularly to the owners of small woodlots, should be given by competent men; meetings, exhibits, lectures, bulletins and reports should be used to propagate general and specific knowledge; conferences of the state fire wardens can probably best be had at the University.

Also under that commission and forester will fall the sales, permits and surveys of state lands; and to them would be referred the purchase and management of forest reserves, should the state ever take a hand toward obtaining such.

Reforestation measures will also come under the same jurisdiction. Maine is just seeing the beginning of forest planting, and is where New York was several years ago. The state nursery at Orono should be utilized to its utmost, and educational bulletins showing methods and value of forest plantations be distributed among the people. Other nurseries can be established should we wish. As much free service in actual planting should be given the people of the state as possible, and the

he inspires his employees with his own energy to a great degree.

Like all right disciplinarians, he is of course systematic in management and surrounds himself with capable men and women as heads of departments. Mr. Seavey retains in his employ today Mr. Fleck as steward who has been with him over thirty-five years and Mrs. Fleck as housekeeper for over fifteen years.

Manager Seavey is a great lover of all manly sports, and by judicious indulgence in his favorite pastimes he keeps himself good health and buoyant spirits. He is a lover of high places and a member of the New York Athletic Club.

GRANGE MEETS.

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Reading, Music, Violin, Minnie Upton, Dulcimer, Brown and Lovejoy. Topics: "Three things on which country improvement depends." Alvin Brown, Chas. Gannon, Benjamin Tuckey, W. O. Perry and others. Song, By the Brothers. Three minute talks on construction work in the Grange. Closing Thought, Lecturer, "Let us think of the mind as a garden. Let us plant there and nourish today. Only thoughts that are good and noble. And then let them blossom away." Additional features interspersed as arrangements can be made by volunteers.

BETHEL GRANGE.

Bethel Grange, No. 56, held its last regular meeting, Nov. 9. Officers absent were: Steward, Assistant Steward, Treasurer, Gate Keeper, and L. A. Steward. The business session was very short. There was one application for membership read by the Secretary. The following literary program was given: Opening Song, Grange Choir, Roll Call, Answered by each member. Quotation, Ida Packard. Item of Interest, Ella Lyon. Current Event, Catherine Hapgood. Conundrum, Ella Philbrook. Current Event, Levi Bartlett. Quotation, Florence Upton. Item of Interest, Mae R. Bartlett. Reading, Florence Upton. Question: "Do the game laws favor the farmer or the sportsman?" Discussed by Levi Bartlett. Reading, encore, Lizzie Morse, a member of North Waterford Grange. Closing Piece, "America."

Next meeting, Nov. 23, there will be work. Candy and peanuts furnished by the three Graces.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

Judge A. E. Herckle held Probate Court at Rumford, Tuesday.

Miss Beaulieu held the first of her series of dancing classes at Grange Hall, Tuesday afternoon and evening.

All members of the Sunset Rebekah Lodge degree staff are requested to be present at the meeting next Monday night.

Acquiring of waste areas by the state, with subsequent reforestation will be carried out by the commission and forester should the state make such function necessary. Finally, and most importantly, the whole state forest fire protective system will be under the commission and the state forester. The forester will appoint chief wardens for the various divisions of the state under these wardens will come the patrols and lookout men. A thorough and definite system of trails, observation stations, telephone lines, fire lines, tool and supply caches will be carefully and gradually be worked out, and men will be kept in the service irrespective of political affiliations, providing only they are conscientious and efficient. By employing the same men over the same territory for consecutive years greater value will be rendered for every dollar spent.

Of course a system as here proposed presupposes an adequate office force at Augusta, where headquarters for the commission and for the state forester will be located, and where information can be cataloged, maps and data filed, accounting and costs taken care of, inquiries answered, and a permanent executive be always present.

This proposed bill will eliminate politics from its dangerous influence in the management of the state lands, and especially from the fire warden system. And it will give a consecutive, thoughtful policy to be followed from year to year, in place of the haphazard method now in vogue. The present New Hampshire law has been used as a general model for this system, so that the realm of the upstart is not entered.

Will you write me, as fully as possible your opinions, suggestions and advice, so that if a majority of the informed men of the state are in favor of a change as indicated, or along the general lines indicated, the next step can be taken.

Yours very truly,
James W. Sewall.
Ortland, Me., Nov. 7, 1916.

Tired!
Are you tired? Run down? Nervous? Is everything you do an effort? Do you feel like a failure? You are. You need a tonic. You need Electric Bitters. It will give you a new lease on life. It will make you feel like a new man. It will make you feel like a new woman. It will make you feel like a new child. It will make you feel like a new citizen. It will make you feel like a new man. It will make you feel like a new woman. It will make you feel like a new child. It will make you feel like a new citizen.

NEW COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL BUILDING.

The new County and Municipal Building now nearing completion in Rumford is one of the finest buildings in the State of Maine. It stands on Congress street, centrally located, on the busiest business street in town. From the street grade to the top of the clock tower dome is 106 feet. The basement is nearly all above the street level, and a flight of 14 steps leads from the street level to the first floor. The building is 140 feet and 8 inches long. It is 70 feet 8 inches wide on Congress street, and 60 feet 8 inches wide on River street. The height to the eaves is 60 feet. The building is of brick with cast stone trimmings.

The first floor is cast stone, leading to the first floor, with cast stone trimmings above. The Grand Jury room, which is 22 feet 10 inches long by 30 feet 5 inches wide is in the basement, and there are also included in the basement, two store rooms, 15 by 22 and 12 by 22 feet; storage vault, 22 by 23 feet; kitchen, 16 feet 11 inches by 20 feet; boiler room, 17-11x22-6; corridor, 9-8x9-2 feet shooting range for militia, 30 yards; fax room, 9-8x17-10; and the various rooms of the jail which have been before described in this paper. On the left of the first floor, as the building is entered is the selectmen's office, 13-5x22-10 and their private office, 10-6x17; town clerk and tax collector's office, 15-5x22-10; two vaults, 7-5x9-4; municipal judge's office, 12-7x18-4; attorney's rooms, same size; law library, 12-5x3-4; room of the supreme judicial court judge, 12-5x15-5; lobby at entrance, 21x23 feet; corridor, 21-8x40; court room, 44-11x51-6 feet. On the right, as the building is entered, is the office of the Rumford and Mexico Water District, 18-5x22-10, with private office, 14-2x17; office of clerk of courts, 15-7x22; and jury room, 15-5x18-4, and 13-4x23.

On the second floor are two ante rooms, 14-5x23-3 feet; a lobby, 13x48 feet, and the auditorium, 57x75 feet. The stage is 16 feet wide by 32 feet deep, with two dressing rooms at the rear, 12-9x16 feet each. There are also two store rooms for stage property, 10x16 feet. The height of the auditorium ceiling is 28 feet, with a balcony on two sides, and across one end, 12 feet wide at the sides and 13 feet wide across the end, with seats arranged on an incline in the balcony, there being two or three seats on each level. The ceiling under the balcony is 15 feet high. There are rooms over the stage for the local militia, including a locker room, 23x10 feet, and two officers' rooms, 12x15 and 12x12 feet. The building is surrounded by a hip roof, covered with slate, with a deck fifteen feet wide, graveled.

The basement floor is all cement, and all flooring throughout the rest of the building is of the best maple obtainable. All the finish throughout is of birch from Wisconsin. The cast stone used in the construction is made in Lewiston. A fine feature is the large number of windows. There are 6 paned windows, with ornamental glass fans arched over the tops in the auditorium, each window being 10x15 feet, three of these being on each side of the building, with also 9 ordinary windows. In the basement are 26 windows, and a similar number on the first floor. In the clock tower will be placed an electric clock with a bell striker of such carrying power that it will be audible all over the Corporation. The clock face will be illuminated. The building is equipped with a sprinkler system for fire protection, and with steam heat, and with an up-to-date system of fire escapes.

The furnishings are supplied by the county and the town jointly. It is proposed to receive a part of the yearly appropriation of \$500 from the State to the county, to assist in providing a law library for the building.

The entrance to the building is under a dignified and imposing portico, which is upheld by massive and artistic Corinthian pillars. The double entrance doors are 8-6x5 feet each, and the vestibule doors are the same dimensions.

The contract price is \$69,000 which does not include the electric wiring which is being done by York and Boothby of Portland, and the plumbing, for which English and Dooliver of Lewiston are the contractors. The lot on which the building stands was purchased from the R. P. Power Company for \$15,000 and this all brings the total cost of the building close up around \$100,000. Coombs & Lewis is the architect, and T. F. Moore & Co. of the same city are the contractors. The initial work on the contract was done on Sept. 8, 1915, and the work of putting the concrete into the foundations, began on Sept. 24 that year. Mr. Moore's contract called for his work to be completed on Aug. 1, 1916.

"I'll give you something to eat if you'll stop work for it."
"Yes, lady. Only it will be cheaper to feed me in advance. Choppin' wood gives me a terrible appetite."

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE.

AN AFRICAN MISSION.

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dragged the cars to the permanent line, where a little locomotive took them in tow, and hauled them down to the mill.

At last we came to a place where we could look down into the bottom-lands along the Illovo river, and saw the little settlement of Illovo. The chief thing was a huge iron shed, with small or brick buildings about it and a tall stack. This is the crushing-mill. On the nearby hillsides were the ugly iron barracks of the coolies, looking no less squalid because of the distance. We passed on down to the mill and were met by our friend Mr. Love, the chief engineer. After a trip up to his house, a huge old square brick bungalow, for tea, we went down to the mill.

The narrow-gauge tracks run right to the mill, and the trucks, carrying a ton of cane each, are first weighed and then unloaded by a machine that takes the cane onto a conveyor. The conveyor brings the cane into the body of the mill, and leaves it in a hopper above the first crusher.

The cane is crushed three times in all. The first or coarse crusher consists of two huge cylinders, with ridges on them, between which the cane falls slowly. The juice runs off along a sluiceway, and the woody part falls onto a conveyor which carries it to the top of the second crusher. Here it passes between two rollers with fluted ridges, and the juice is again added to the stream in the sluice. The third crusher has still finer ridges, and the solid stuff emerges from it nearly dry.

The finely divided solid stuff—mostly wood—is now carried by a belt-conveyor to the furnaces, in front of which it is deposited. A gang of coolies shovel the stuff in, and keep the fires faked. The chaff furnishes the necessary power thus to run the plant. The juice passes on along a sluice, and a small paddle-wheel device furnishes the samples for the chemists to use in their continual tests.

The juice is passed into a large tank, in which the fumes of burning sulphur are forced through it to clarify it. From here it goes to a series of settling-tubs. The juice stands in these for a day or two, and finally is drawn off. The sludge at the bottom is flushed out and sent first to filter presses and then to an arrangement for extracting the cane-wax. This wax makes good shoe-polish.

The clear juice now passes to a series of three vacuum pans, at increasing heat and vacuum, in which it is evaporated. The purpose of using these is to make the water boil off at a lower temperature than in the open air, and thus to change the sugar as little as possible. Each pan is so arranged that its vapours heat the next one to it. The heat comes in the first place from steam coils within the pans, but much economy is gained by this use of each other's heat.

The final evaporation produces a mixture that looks like molasses with sugar floating in it. This is passed on into what looks like immense iron churns, slowly revolving. In these are paddles, standing still, and as the mixture is slowly revolved for two days, the sugar crystallizes out. In small batches this mixture of crystals and molasses is taken into what appear to be enlarged cream-separators. These centrifugal machines separate out the sugar as a white layer around the walls; the molasses is drained out, and the sugar is removed by hand and hoisted up to the storage bins. It gets broken into grains in this handling, and appears like mounds of snow in the bins. Finally it is bagged and loaded onto a car at the siding of the South African Railways that comes up to the mill.

The molasses is allowed to settle for several months, and out of it more sugar crystallizes. Illovo is of course mainly a coolie village, and we had a chance to see the Saturday night "theatricals" of these hillbuds. They run a pantomime by torchlight, using huge grotesque masks and singing out of tune. The scene is wild and barbaric. The noise is a sort of diabolical life, the music is quite word.

I may well end by saying a word as to the kind of cane they grow here. It is what they call "Uba" cane, originally a West Indian variety. The dry winters of Natal harm almost every other kind. Uba is a small cane, about the size of a good cornstalk, with very long and narrow leaves. It is planted in the usual way for cane, by laying stalks in a furrow. One planting is good for six crops as a rule. It takes two years to grow from planting, and usually two after cutting.

In my letter on First Impressions of Natal, printed in August, I noticed two errors in printing—due perhaps to my poor handwriting. One was in the African name for corn. It is "mealie." The other is in the name of a little brook here—a Zulul name. It was printed, Umququququ. It really is

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"Umququququ." That letter "q" is used in Zulul for a queer sort of clicking sound that is hard to describe. ANAN JUNIUS.

SONGO POND.

Mr. C. F. Upton and Guy Cumming are up Bear River packing apples. Mr. Geo. Penley of South Paris is visiting his nephew, Carlton Penley, for a few days.

Mr. Ben Uman is very sick. Mr. William Walker of Norway is caring for him.

Mrs. Phil McAllister of South Paris spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Herman Brown.

Mr. Fred Trott, who has been visiting at Abner Kimball's, returned to his home in Portland, Me., one day last week.

Mrs. Belle Brown, who has been stopping with her daughter, Mrs. Francis Clough, for the past few months, has gone to stay with her son, Mr. Arnel Brown, in Bethel.

Mr. Sidney Dunn of Portland, Me., is enjoying the hunting season. He is stopping with A. B. Kimball.

Miss Lillian Kimball finished teaching school and returned to her home in No. Waterford. Miss Alta Cummings of Hunt's Corner is going to teach the coming term.

A. B. Kimball found a Mayflower, Saturday in full bloom.

PROBATE NOTICES.

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named: At a Probate Court at Paris in vacation in and for the County of Oxford, on the twenty-eighth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixteen. The following matter having been presented for the action thereupon hereafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of November, A. D. 1916, at 3 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Eliza A. Chase late of Bethel, deceased, petition that Harry G. Bryant or some other suitable person be appointed administrator of the estate of said deceased, presented by Harry G. Bryant, nephew and heir.

Mary A. Sanborn will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of Alma E. Stanley as executrix of the same without bond presented in vacation by Alma E. Stanley the executrix named therein.

ADDISON B. HERRICK, Judge of said Court.

A true copy—Attest:
ALBERT D. PARK, Register.

EAT MAINE MONEY
The most money in the state is in the pockets of the people. J. B. MASON, Manufacturer, Portland, Me.

CHURCH ACTS.

WEST BETHEL UNION.

The Ladies' Chapel Aid held a supper and sale at December 14th. The ladies for work on Wednesday at Morrill's.

The Christian Endeavor Sunday morning was Jan. 6. Ordway.

Although the weather was favorable the Sunday School last Friday evening was quite a number. Delicacies were served by the church. December 1st, a social. Admission, 10 c.

CONGREGATIONAL C.

The subject of the sermon day will be, "Mind Your Lawrences Kimball will Christian Endeavor service singing at 7:30.

At the Christmas sale at national chapel, Dec. 7, Thurston will serve tea.

At the Sunday School morning some of the members of the Department of School, and receive their membership. There will be by the Primary and Intermediate and a hearty welcome to them. The parents invited to be present. The Union Thanksgiving will be held at the Congregational Church, Nov. 29, at 7:30.

METHODIST CHURCH.

On Friday evening of this U. G. Humphrey of Indianan address at the Methodist a topic of vital interest to and its ministry. He is the will want to hear.

Next Sunday the pulpit will be filled by Rev. H. L. Nichols, far pastor of the Methodist Norway, who will preach at 10 and evening services.

Rev. T. C. Chapman will be at Bethel, Thursday and Friday week in attendance at the Bethel and Sunday School Institute meets at Park Street Church.

The program by the Vene at the Grange Hall last evening was a great success. The view point though the program was small. The popular series of entertainments on Saturday, Dec. 9, when Kennedy will read "Dad Legs."

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH.

Last Sunday was observed as penance Sunday. In the morning J. H. Little preached an eloquent sermon on temperance with a special for mankind and an in statement of the harmful effect of temperance. In the evening C. U. and Sunday School joined in a large with many young people. A special temperance was included in the program, with the Battle Hymn of the Lord in which so many young and old joined that the whole assembly was filled to overflowing with there followed responsive reading appropriate to the occasion. The special musical features of the best of which was the vocal solo by the choir. Several selections were given. The State Song of the Y. P. C. U. with the whole audience standing in such spirit and enthusiasm. The best features was the repetition by members of the Sunday and Union of the Prohibition.

The nineteen Prohibition States were previous to the last one were represented. Each state was represented by the list, and the representative of each took a place on the platform until nineteen stood with uplifted banners bearing the of the State. Then came some smaller members bearing banners which were the names of the four which voted for State-wide prohibition in the last election. With all of the audience rose and sang with enthusiasm sang two stanzas of "America." This impressive illustration of the progress of prohibition further emphasized with a few words the leader relative to the advance of the cause within the past five years. The fact that now really 21 out of 36 States were committed to prohibition and that several others were in the process of doing so was a most enthusiastic and attractive service.